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### Food Administration Orders.

Order No. 1. Manufacturers. A manufacturer using sugar can not buy more sugar until he gets a permit from the Federal Food Administrator at Columbia, Missouri. These permits can be obtained by the manufacturer making a sworn statement as to the amount of sugar he needs. These blank statements may be had at my office by either calling or writing for same.

Order No. 2. Millers Corn Meal Certificates.

These certificates will be valid if signed by licensed millers.

Neighborhood millers, whether licensed or not. Such millers require a license regardless of the capacity of their mills if they grind corn or other grain for stock or poultry feed for pay or toll. The license costs nothing out entails considerable trouble in making reports to the Government. Applications for license must be made to the Law Department, License Division, U. S. Food Administration, Washington, D. C. If none of the ground grain is used for stock or poultry feed, no license is required, unless the mill capacity is 75 barrels per day. Persons grinding corn meal for human food in their own mills. These require no license. Neither do they require license though they may grind feed if such feed is to be used by them only. Certificates may be obtained at my office.

Order No. 3. Bakeries. All bakeries are required to report to this office once every week. Those not having license should apply for same at once.

A. B. Owen, Federal Food Adm. for Bates county.

### May Term of the Circuit Court.

The bar docket for the May term of the Bates County Circuit Court were turned over to the county clerk by the printers Monday evening. The term commences Monday, May 27, and according to the docket few cases of interest are set for trial. Fewer divorce cases will be heard at this term than at any term for some time, only nine being on the docket, and one of them was heard at the last term of court. The docket shows that States county is a very law abiding community, as only to criminal cases are set for trial and the majority of them are of a minor nature. Suits to quiet title to real estate and for the collection of drainage taxes constitute the larger part of the 117 cases coming up for trial.

The petit jurors:  
James Ewing—Mingo.  
C. C. Shubert—Grand River.  
J. W. Cooper—Deer Creek.  
C. T. Lacy—East Boone.  
H. W. Tucker—West Boone.  
C. E. Crumley—West Point.  
W. M. McClure—Elkhart.  
John Dever—Mound.  
T. B. Higley—Shawnee.  
Rex Spears—Spruce.  
I. L. Snodgrass—Deepwater.  
W. P. Miller—Summit.  
H. H. Wells—Mt. Pleasant.  
J. H. Sacre—Charlotte.  
W. J. Bard—Homer.  
T. M. Williamson—Walnut.  
J. W. Wheatley—New Home.  
E. C. Harper—Lone Oak.  
I. F. Ellington—Pleasant Gap.  
Troy Brown—Hudson.  
W. I. Marriott—Rockville.  
Will Griffin—Prairie.  
J. H. Anderson—Osage.  
Jacob Jordan—Howard.

### Adrian Won Honor Flag.

L. R. Allen, chairman of the local bond-drive committee, received a flag Saturday which was presented to the City of Adrian for going "over the top" in the recent bond drive.

It is an honor that the citizens may well be proud of and the flag will be kept as a token of patriotism.

Adrian has responded freely to the call of the country both in men and money. Few, if any, towns in her class, as to size, have given as many men as Adrian. They have gone gallantly to the colors and many of them are now in France and several in the firing line. Adrian is patriotic—"you bet she is."—Adrian Journal.

### Memorial Services.

The Memorial sermon will be preached this year by Rev. A. J. Cutrell at the Ohio street M. E. church Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. The services will be opened by singing patriotic songs by the choir. Scripture reading, Rev. S. B. Moore, of the Christian church; prayer, Rev. George Scroggs of the Presbyterian church; Memorial sermon, "The Tragedy of Freedom," Rev. A. J. Cutrell.

It is planned to have the members of the G. A. R. and Ex-Confederates meet and attend the services in a body.

A Tired Man Having a Good Time, Wilson Tells Theatergoers.

New York, May 17.—The audience at a theater attended by President Wilson tonight soon discovered the President's party in a box. After repeated demands for a speech the President arose and said:

"Ladies and gentlemen, you are laboring under a delusion. You think I am the President of the United States. You are mistaken. Really you see a tired man having a good time."

### 200 DEAD IN EXPLOSION

T. N. T. Plant Blows Up With Terrific Loss of Life.

Pittsburg, May 18.—From 100 to 200 workmen are estimated to have been killed, probably as many more were seriously injured and the plant of the Aetna Chemical company at Oakdale, near here, was completely wrecked by a series of explosions after noon today. It is difficult to learn the full extent of the disaster, owing to lack of communication.

The first explosion occurred in the soda house and a few seconds later the T. N. T. tank went off with a tremendous blast which was heard distinctly in Pittsburg. There were four other explosions, the last one scattering the ruins in all directions.

Officials of the company are unable to explain the cause of the blasts and department of justice agents were hurriedly sent to the scene.

The driver of a bakery automobile came into Pittsburg with Patrick Roberts, 40, one of the victims of the explosion. Roberts was picked up on the road about a half mile from the plant where he had been blown. He may recover.

The fire in the ruins of the plant was still burning at a late hour this afternoon and it was feared a number of tanks containing T. N. T. in cars of a nearby siding would explode if the heat became too great. A cannon was placed on a hill nearby and shots were fired at the tanks to pierce them and thus allow the acid to run out.

Braving the dangers of the deadly sulphuric acid fumes which permeated the air for half a mile around the plant following the explosion, women of the various Red Cross organizations from the neighboring towns performed heroic work among the wounded. One young woman from Oakdale whose name was not learned, suffered perhaps fatal injuries when the fourth explosion occurred. She was carrying a stretcher with a wounded man about 200 feet from the tank. Her right leg was cut off above the knee.

Sulphuric acid from the tank ran into a stream near the plant and was ignited by burning cypresses from the blaze which followed. Six rescuers were thrown into the burning stream when the fourth explosion occurred.

An undertaker who had been rushed to the spot estimated the dead at 170. He said every other man in the plant was injured. There were said to be 500 men at work at the time.

Physicians of Oakdale hurried to the plant with wheel barrows and other vehicles and carried the injured to hospitals. The plant was said to be most completely wrecked.

T. N. T., a deadly explosive, was being manufactured in the plant and several fatal explosions have occurred there within the past two years.

### Unguarded Convict Goes to Kansas to See Daughter Graduate.

Jefferson City, Mo., May 16.—Richard Phoenix, a convict, serving years in the Penitentiary, was permitted by the State Prison Board today to go to Kansas City, Kas., unaccompanied by guards, to attend the graduation of his daughter from a high school.

Phoenix has been here more than five years and has always been a model prisoner. When he asked for permission to see his daughter graduate it was granted. It is probably the first case of the kind in Missouri, although other convicts have been taken to their homes by guards.

Members of the Prison Board have confidence in Phoenix and expect him to return to the Penitentiary.

### Special Meeting.

The Masonic Lodge will hold a special meeting Thursday, May 23rd, commencing at 8 p. m., for the purpose of conferring the Master Masons degree. All Masons invited.

C. E. Culver, Master.

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### Country Happenings.

Warren and Glen Bearce spent Saturday night and Sunday with Charlie and Harry Frey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harvey, Mrs. J. M. Chitwood and son, Harry, and Miss Docia Anderson motored to Kansas Saturday morning in Harry's car for a short visit.

Several from this community attended the graduating exercises at Butler Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cumpston visited Tuesday with Mrs. Clara Batchelor and daughter, Nena.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Frey called on Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wilson Wednesday night.

Marvin Harvey spent last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harvey.

Dr. Reeder was called to Charlie Winger's Saturday morning to see a sick horse.

Ruben Shillinger called on Gus Bearce Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Newberry, who has been quite sick is reported no better.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Keen and Stella Mae Keen visited Sunday with John McCook and family.

Miss Maud Foster, Mable Sutherland, Frankie Gragg and Messrs. Clyde Lawson, Bruce Sutherland and Everett Phinney went to Rich Hill Sunday as delegates from the Young Peoples Union of Pleasant Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Merl Sargent visited Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Bruce O'neal and husband.

Misses Nina Keen and Thelma Sargent were shopping in Spruce Saturday afternoon.

DAISY.

Belgian Hospitals at Calais Bombed, 20 Killed, 20 Hurt.

London, May 18.—German airmen bombed Belgian hospitals in Calais on Thursday night, killing 20 persons and wounding 20 others, said a Belgian official statement received from Havre today.

Adjutant De Meulemeester, of the Belgian army, brought down his tenth German machine in flames near the Houthouist forest, Belgium.

Paris, May 18.—A German airplane attempted to raid Paris last night and succeeded in dropping some bombs in the outskirts. The hostile machine crossed the line between 10 and 11 o'clock, but was given such a reception that it failed to achieve its object.

### Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue and authority of a general execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Mo., returnable at the May Term, 1918, of said Court, and to me directed, in favor of Lena Pigg and against George Pigg, I have levied upon and seized all the right, title, interest and claim of the said George Pigg of, in and to the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

Lot six (6) block four (4) Christian and Condes addition to Butler, Mo., west one-half (W-1/2) east one-half (E-1/2) and west one-half (W-1/2) and east one-half (E-1/2) lots one (1) and two (2) in Coatswell's addition to Butler, Mo.

All lying and being in the said County and State of Missouri; and I will on Friday on the 31st day of May A. D. 1918, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the East Court House Door, in the City of Butler, County of Bates aforesaid, sell the same, or so much thereof as may be required, at Public Vendue, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution and costs.

30-4t J. W. BAKER, Sheriff of Bates County, Mo.

### ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

In the Circuit Court of Bates County, State of Missouri, October Term, 1918. In Vacation, May 16, 1918. St. Clair Investment Company, a corporation, Plaintiff.

vs. J. W. Baker, Sheriff of Bates County, Missouri, Unknown Successor in Trust of James R. Waddill, deceased, and the Unknown Heirs of James R. Waddill, deceased; The Unknown Heirs, Grantees, Endorsees, Assignees, Devisees, Donees, Alienees, Immediate, Mesne, Remote, Voluntary and Involuntary of James T. Thornton, deceased; The Unknown Heirs, Grantees, Endorsees, Assignees, Devisees, Donees, Alienees, Immediate, Mesne, Remote, Voluntary and Involuntary of Seth Mabry, deceased, and William Small, Jr., Defendants.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION. To the above named or described defendants—Greetings:

You are hereby notified that an action has been commenced against you in the Circuit Court of the County of Bates, in the State of Missouri, effecting titles to the following described lands and tenements, to-wit: The Southeast quarter (1-4) and the West half (1-2) of the Southwest quarter (1-4) and Southeast quarter (1-4) of Section Thirteen (13) and Southeast quarter (1-4) of Section Fourteen (14) and all of Section Twenty-four (24), all in Township Thirty-eight (38) of Range Thirty-one (31), also South half (1-2) of Section Eighteen (18) and all of Section Nineteen (19), all in Township Thirty-eight (38) of Range Thirty (30).

Which action is returnable on the first day of the next term of said court to be held at the Court House in the City of Butler, in the County and State aforesaid, on Monday, October 7th, 1918, when and where you may appear and answer or otherwise defend such action; otherwise plaintiff's petition will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly.

A true copy from the record. Witness my hand and the (Seal) seal of this court this 16th day of May, 1918.

32-4t H. O. MAXEY, Clerk of the Circuit Court.

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Time Table

North Bound

Leave

No. 202 K. C. and St. Louis passenger .....11:00 a. m.  
No. 210 K. C. and St. Louis passenger .....10:45 p. m.  
No. 292 local freight .....12:30 p. m.

South Bound

No. 205 Joplin, Wichita & Coffeyville Passenger .. 3:50 a. m.  
No. 207 Joplin and Yates Center passenger ..... 1:10 p. m.  
No. 291 local freight .....11:00 a. m.

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"If you need 75 million bushels of wheat for war purposes, take it and let us rustle for ourselves—we have plenty of substitutes," was the telegram recently sent to the Indiana federal food administrator by the Evansville Real Estate Board as evidence of the willingness of its large membership of substantial citizens to back conservation.—From the United States Food Administration Bulletin.

## NEVER BEFORE WAS A DAILY NEWSPAPER MORE NECESSARY

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